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TERRE HAUTE CRACK COCAINE DEALER INDICTED

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DERRICK D. HATFIELD, 31, Terre Haute, Indiana, was indicted by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for five counts of distribution of cocaine base, more commonly known as crack cocaine.

The indictment alleges that HATFIELD distributed crack cocaine on five occasions in September and October, 2002.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Bradley A. Blackington, who is prosecuting the case for the government, HATFIELD faces a maximum possible prison

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sentence of life imprisonment and a maximum possible fine of \$4,000,000. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Terre Haute.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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